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Tuesday, 16 December 2003, 1.55 p.m.
New York

<i>President:</i>	Mr. Tafrov	(Bulgaria)
<i>Members:</i>	Angola	Mr. Lucas
	Cameroon	Mr. Belinga-Eboutou
	Chile	Mr. Muñoz
	China	Mr. Wang Guangya
	France	Mrs. D'Achon
	Germany	Mr. Haupt
	Guinea	Mr. Sow
	Mexico	Mrs. Arce De Jeannet
	Pakistan	Mr. Akram
	Russian Federation	Mr. Lavrov
	Spain	Mr. Oyarzún
	Syrian Arab Republic	Mr. Mekdad
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Ms. MacKenzie
	United States of America	Mr. Cunningham

Agenda

The situation in Somalia

Letter dated 4 November 2003 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) concerning Somalia addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2003/1035)

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The meeting was called to order at 1.55 p.m.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

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The President (spoke in French): I should like to inform the Council that I have received a letter from the representative of Somalia in which he requests to be invited to participate in the discussion of the item on the Council's agenda. In conformity with the usual practice, I propose, with the consent of the Council, to invite that representative to participate in the discussion, without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

At the invitation of the President, Mr. Hashi (Somalia) took a seat at the Council table.

The President (spoke in French): The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda. The Security Council is meeting in accordance with the understanding reached in its prior consultations.

Members of the Council have before them document S/2003/1035, which contains the letter dated 4 November 2003 addressed to the President of the Security Council from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) concerning Somalia. Members of the Council also have before them document S/2003/1177, which contains the text of a draft resolution prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

It is my understanding that the Council is ready to proceed to the vote on the draft resolution before it. Unless I hear any objection, I shall put the draft resolution to the vote now.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

A vote was taken by show of hands.

In favour:

Angola, Bulgaria, Cameroon, Chile, China, France, Germany, Guinea, Mexico, Pakistan, Russian Federation, Spain, Syrian Arab Republic, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

The President (spoke in French): There were 15 votes in favour. The draft resolution has been adopted unanimously as resolution 1519 (2003).

The Security Council has thus concluded the present stage of its consideration of the item on its agenda.

The Security Council will remain seized of the matter.

The meeting rose at 2 p.m.